

## **DODGE COUNTY UW EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE** OF THE DODGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

February 19, 2019

The Dodge County UW-Extension Education Committee of the Dodge County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. in the UW-Extension conference room 1C at the Dodge County Administration Building, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, WI.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Allen Behl called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with the following members present: Richard Bennett, Becky Glewen and Annette Thompson.

Also, present: Pattie Carroll, Human Development & Relationships Educator; Jeff Hoffman, Area Extension Director; Marie Witzel, 4-H Youth Development Educator; Amanda Young, Dairy & Livestock Educator; and Melissa Litherland, backfill as 4-H Program Coordinator.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None** 

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Glewen, second by Thompson to approve minutes for Tuesday, December 18, 2018. Approved 4-0.

REVIEW OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES UNDER BUSINESS UNIT 68: Review of the UW-Extension revenues and expenses for December 2018 and January 2019.

APPROVAL OF PER DIEMS FOR DECEMBER 18, 2018 Chairperson Behl reviewed the per diem sheet for February 19, 2019. Motion by Glewen, seconded by Bennet to approve per diems for February 19, 2019. Approved 4-0.

SHORT ORAL REPORT BY: Pattie Carroll, Human Development & Relationships Educator; Amanda Young, Dairy and Livestock Educator; Marie Witzel, 4-H Youth Development Educator; and Pattie Carroll, human Development & Relationships read in for Kimberly Lafler, FoodWIse Educator on December and January Programming

Marie Witzel, 4-H youth Development Educator - Shared about the mandatory volunteer orientation. She offers 3 per year, and the exciting part about January is the youth who have recently graduated from 4-H come back to learn to become leaders in the program. She also shared the exciting news that is it scholarship time in 4-H and the leaders are offering an alumni scholarship and someone contacted her to offer a scholarship that will be part of her will in the future. She also attended the camp user meeting and will talk with leaders tonight about offering a camp visit for a parent and youth to become more comfortable with the open enrollment camp offered at Upham Woods. Witzel is celebrating her 25 years in extension and will receive recognition of that milestone at the National Conference next fall. And her team applied for an educational technology award.

Kimberly Lafler, FoodWIse Educator- Shared by Pattie Carroll, Human Development & Relationships Educator: Despite all the weather causing many cancellations and rescheduling of events within the community and the different school districts FoodWIse collaborates with, it has still been a busy January and February.

Kimberly Lafler was asked to be and participated as a panelist for curriculum education for FoodWIse educators throughout the state for the Seniors Eating Well curriculum that she piloted last summer. Through lessons at Bright Futures of WI, an employment and transition services that help young adults with disabilities transition into productive lives as adults in the community, Lafler has been working with a group of young people to develop healthy eating patterns and create grocery lists that include those healthy patterns within a set budget. The group practiced in a classroom setting, with Lafler. Participants of that group were excited to share that as part of their mid-winter celebration that as a group they came

up with a healthy menu, wrote the grocery list and shopped for the items and stayed within their set budget using several of the tips discussed during the lessons. They were excited to report that they even had almost a dollar left over.

Starting in March, FoodWIse starts to meet with new and existing partners to start program planning and collaborations for the next fiscal year, which starts in October.

Pattie Carroll, Human Development and Relationships Educator- Carroll continues to work with the Every Child Thrives (ECT) collective impact effort uniting community partners in Wisconsin's Dodge and Jefferson Counties. It is centered on the shared purpose of ensuring all children thrive in health, learning and life. Launched in 2017, ECT uses data to drive decisions and align resources to support what works. Part of the ECT effort is the TalkReadPlay campaign. TalkReadPlay is a community awareness campaign designed to teach parents and caregivers about the science of early brain development and help them create more brain building opportunities with their babies and young children. Carroll is working with Reeseville Public Library to implement TalkReadPLayTime for Lowell/Reeseville families. Also, Carroll is designing and implementing social media outreach and engagement for parents using Facebook live videos called Parenting: Behind the Behavior.

Amanda Young, Dairy and Livestock Educator- Young discussed the ongoing Youth Tractor and Machine Safety Course, which has completed its 24 hours of classroom instruction and written test and will be followed up by a driving test in April. There are 25 youth between the ages of 12 and 16 participating in this year's Tractor Safety training course. Young is also hosting Dairy Talk Tuesdays that are held the second Tuesday of each month featuring calf health, markets, and animal wellbeing. Additionally, Young hosted an all-day area 16 grazing meeting that was attended by over 70 individuals

UPDATE ON MARIE WITZEL, 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT EDUCATOR TO BACKFILL 4-H LIAISON ROLE AND MELISSA LITHERLAND TO BACK FILL AS 4-H PROGRAM COORDINATOR. Witzel reported Melissa Litherland was hired to do the 4-H Programing with Dodge County in order to take things off Witzel's plate while Witzel backfills for 4-H Liaison Role.

AREA DIRECTOR ORAL REPORT ON UW-MADISON EXTENSION MERGER. Hoffman introduced the new UW-Madison new label. Reported there's a hold up on receiving letterhead envelopes. Hoffman reported there are media blasts and build boards in transition. Employees are in the process of activating their NetID, which will change their emails to wisc.edu. July 1, 2019 is the deadline for the new transition.

**DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF OPTIONS TO CHANGE UW-EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE.** Discussion was held for UW-Extension Education Meeting Schedule months to be held February, April, June, September, October, and December of every year. The meetings will continue to be every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month with the option to call a special meeting if needed.

**NEXT MEETING DATE**: The next regularly scheduled Extension Committee meeting is Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at the UW-Extension Conference Room 1C, in the Dodge County Administration Building at 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, Wisconsin.

**ADJOURNMENT**: There being no further business to come before this Committee, the meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Behl at 9:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andale Bennett
Richard Bennett, Secretary

Allen Behl, Chairperson